

AMENDMENT WITH SUBMISSION OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION [RCE] under 37 CFR

PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Mineo NOMOTO, et al.

Application No.: 10/082,520

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MEASURING THICKNESS OF THIN

FILM AND DEVICE

MANUFACTURING METHOD USING

SAME

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1.114

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Sir:

This Amendment is with submission of a Request for Continued Examination [RCE] under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 for the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.